



The Eagle's View



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Important Dates

December - Review all Pillars

- 19 - 5th Gr. Field Trip - 9:30 AM -1 PM
- 19 - 2nd nine weeks end
- 19 - Early Release - 1:45 PM
- Extended Day open until 6 PM
- 21 - Winter Begins
- 22 - January 5 - Winter Break



January - Character Counts! Pillar - Respect

- 5- Teacher Planning Day - No School
- 6 - Classes resume
- 6 - School Advisory Meeting- 6 PM
- 9 - Report Cards Issued
- 12 - PTO Executive Board Mtg. - 3:30 PM
- 13 - PTO Bingo Night 5:30 -7:00 PM
- 15- Head Start Parent Mtg
- 19 - Martin Luther King, Jr Day - No School
- 20 - Valentine Grams go on sale
- 27 - Character Counts! Celebration - 9 AM
- 29 - Kindergarten Sight Word Mtg - 5-6 PM
- 30 - Grade 5 Field Trip

School Office Hours

8:00 - 4:00 PM

Morning drop off: 8:05 AM

Tardy Bell - 8:25 PM

School Day begins at 8:30 AM

Attendance Line

Please call in your child's absence by
10 A.M. Call: 904-547-8618

Student Check Out Policy

All student checkouts need to occur before
2:20 PM. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and
Friday.

Before 1:20 PM on Wednesdays.

Word of the Week

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~Cookie Dough Pick Up~

**Please pick up your Cookie
Dough Orders on Wednesday,
December 17. The hours are
12 noon to 5.**

PTO e-mail - swespto@outlook.com

Early Release

We will release at 1:45 PM on Friday, Decem-
ber 19. Our Extended Day will be open until 6
PM.

***Warm Holiday Wishes to you and
your family this holiday season!***



The Principal Notes

What a wonderful turnout we had at our "Light the Night" event last Thurs-
day evening. Families enjoyed many of the activities we planned and listening
to the holiday caroling provided by PreK students, Kindergarten, and our very
own Show Kids. I'd like to thank all of the teachers who helped with Thursday's
event. We also thank Mrs Chapman for leading performances by PreK, Kinder-
garten, and Show Kids and PTO for their warm touch of providing hot chocolate
and cookies.

This week will be busy and exciting as the holiday quickly approaches.
Many classes will be doing holiday related activites at the end of the week. Stu-
dents will be participating in a SOAR celebration lead by our resource teachers
on Friday morning, December 19. It will be a fun event before we release for the
winter break!

As I close my notes this week and as we approach the end of the 2014, I want
to tell you what a privilege it is to be the Principal at South Woods Elementary.
We all can be proud of our wonderful school. It comes with special efforts from
students, teachers, parents, administration, and the community working together
for one main purpose, providing a quality education in a positive learning envi-
ronment for all our students.

During this holiday season, I want to thank everyone who helped make
Christmas possible for many of our families at South Woods. A big thanks to
Mrs. Ambrose for her coordination and working with our families and the differ-
ent agencies. Indeed, we have much to be grateful for this holiday season.

Students will return to school on Tuesday, January 6. When we return, we
will be preparing for our mid year assessments in March and April. Give your
child an extra gift this holiday season by reading to and with your child each
day of the holiday break! Wishing all the SWE families a wonderful and safe
holiday season. We will see you next year! Mrs. Hutchins

A Sincere Thanks

We want to express our thanks to Subway in Hastings for their donation of
180 cookies for our Light the Night Event last Thursday evening. Thank you
Hastings Subway!

Light the Night Winners

Join us in congratulating the following individuals whose names were drawn
for the following categories:

- Food Baskets - Joseph Reno, Clifton Fraser, and Kyleigh Clark
- Misc. Basket - Cailyn Storter

- Girl Present Basket - Francesca Cucuzza
- Boy Present Basket - Anthony Crum

- Turkey Winners - Mike Turner, April Barrett, Chloe Carter, Eli Fonseca, and
Ophelia Walker

Congratulations to all of our winners.

Saturday School ~ LAST Call

This is the last call for students in grades 4 and 5 to sign up for Sat-
urday School beginning in January. Bus transportation will be provided.
Please have your forms returned by Wednesday, December 17.

VFW Bryan Tuten Memorial, Post 2391 Coloring and Essay Contest

The Ladies Auxillary recently conducted a patriotism coloring and essay
contest for primary grade students. Mrs. Sarah Roloson, Mrs. Heather Reyn-
olds, and Mrs. Merkley's Kindergarten and Mrs. Marlow's Second Grade Class
participated.

We want to congratulate Valerie Currence, Brian Spencer, and Ja'Bri Steward
from Mrs. Marlow's Class who have been designated as "An Outstanding Pa-
triotic Artist of the Future." They will each receive \$25.00 and a certificate for
their "excellent participation in the VFW Americanism Coloring Contest."

Yearbook Design Winners Named

Recently our 5th grade students had the opportunity to design different
covers for our 2014-2015 Yearbook. Congratulations to the following students

whose designs were selected to be used.

Cover Page - Abigail Schander

Inside Cover - Caitlynn Sykes

Back Cover - Erick Hasselman, Elizabeth Jackson, Ryan Flanagan, Kalysta Hanson

Karate Program Cancelled

Unfortunately, the Karate Program at SW has not taken off as we would have liked. The goal was to reach 20 students for the program to be considered successful. To date we only have 6 students which is less than the goal. Due to the lack of enrollment, the Shinsei Martial Arts will be withdrawing from South Woods at the end of the 2014. The last class will be December 17. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Book Clubs Celebrations

We are so proud of all our SWES students, but our buttons are busting with pride over our amazing Book Club Readers! The Magic Treehouse Book Club and the Rainbow Magic Fairy Book Club ended this week and had their goal-setting celebrations. Celebrating the Rainbow Magic Fairy Club were Lovy Michael (Ms. Koller's class) and Finley Stokke Harms (Ms. Gleeson's class.) Members of the Magic Treehouse Book Club who celebrated last week were P.J. Andrews (Ms. Gleeson's class), Ty Morin and Kaleb Zolla (Ms. Leonard's class), Drew Theed, Layne Schneider, Marissa Reio, Robert Jones (Ms. Murdock's class), and Peyton Conley and Haleigh Grove (Ms. Hodges' class). Way to go, Book Club Readers!

New book clubs will begin in January. One club which goes all year is the Sunshine State Young Readers Club (we call it the Sunshine Club, for short). So far members of the Sunshine Club are: Jacob Robinson (Mr. Abbey), Jacob Davis and Kaileah Kelly (Ms. Blanton), Cailyn Sorter and Hannah Davis (Ms. Eighmey), Kyler Smith (Ms. Fazzari), Caitlyn Sykes (Ms. Frantz), Nadia Preston (Ms. Jones), Elizabeth Jackson and Megan Wilkinson (Ms. Konstas), Kira Theed and Evan Price (Ms. Meyer), Danielle Talbert and Drew Theed (Ms. Murdock), Vincent Gonzalez, Madelyn Brown, Ja'bri Steward, and Sarah Butler (Ms. Marlow).

School Advisory Council Meeting

The next SAC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 6, at 6 PM in the Media Center. The Agenda includes: Approving the December Minutes, Budget Process, Celebrate Literacy Week, Needs Assessment Timeline, Principal Update, and any new business shared. All meetings are open to the public.

Warm Holiday Wishes

The South Woods Faculty and Staff join me in wishing all South Woods' families a very happy holiday. We hope the holiday season brings you much peace, joy and good will. May you all enjoy the time you spend with your families and friends over the next few weeks as you share the holiday spirit. Enjoy hugging your wonderful children and reassuring them that no matter what they do or what happens, that we will always love them! Wishing you and yours a very healthy and prosperous new year! Happy Holidays!

A message from your Box Top Coordinator:

Happy Tuesday South Woods families! I cannot even begin to express how excited and impressed I am with the amount of Box Tops you have turned in this year! They just keep coming in! You continue to amaze me! We currently have \$1,238.10 in our Box Tops account; this check will be issued to the school in December!

Congratulations to the following classes who will get to play BINGO with Mrs. Hutchins this Thursday for being the top collectors in November!

Pre-k – Ms. Kerchner's Class
Kindergarten – Ms. Parler's Class
1st Grade – Ms. Gleeson's Class
2nd Grade – Mrs. Marlow's Class
3rd Grade – Ms. Hodges' Class
4th Grade – Mrs. Eighmey's Class
5th Grade – Ms. Frantz's Class

All of these classes did AMAZING! This being said a special congratulations goes out to Mrs. Marlow's 2nd grade class for turning in 1,250 Box Tops this month!

Classroom Rewards

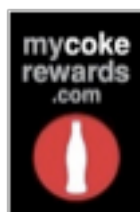
Congratulations to the following classes who have earned classroom prizes!

Fruit Snacks are heading towards the following class:
Ms. Marlow's 2nd Grade Class
Ms. Konstas' 5th Grade Class

Popsicles will be heading towards Mrs. Marlow's 2nd Grade Class as well!

Way to go guys! Keep collecting!

Please remember to save the following for our school:



And don't forget about a new app called Shoparoo!



You can download for your phone or tablet. Use Promo code div65650 when you sign up to receive bonus points! When you download the app you will be asked to select a school, select South Woods Elementary. After the signup all you have to take a picture of your receipts from your everyday purchases from store such as Wal-Mart, K-Mart, Publix, Walgreens, Dollar General, etc... You will earn points that will convert into cash for our school!

Thank you for your participation and support.